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CHICAGO CITY COUNCIL APPROVES APPOINTMENTS TO CHICAGO COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS

The Chicago City Council today approved 10 appointments to the Chicago Commission on Human Relations recommended by Mayor Rahm Emanuel.

"These individuals are dedicated to bringing together communities across Chicago, and are especially committed to eliminating discrimination," said Mayor Emanuel. "I'm confident these appointees will help educate and intervene when discrimination takes place."

The Chicago Commission on Human Relations has 15 members, including Mona Noriega, who is both Chairman and Commissioner of the Department of Human Relations. Board members are not compensated for their time and expertise.

The Chicago Commission on Human Relations enforces the Chicago Human Rights Ordinance and the Chicago Fair Housing Ordinance. The Commission investigates complaints to determine whether discrimination may have occurred, and uses its enforcement powers to punish acts of discrimination. Under the City's Hate Crimes Law, the agency aids hate crime victims. CCHR also employs proactive programs of education, intervention, and constituency building to discourage bigotry and bring people from different groups together.

Appointments to the Chicago Commission on Human Relations:

Rochelle Grimbau – Law Offices of Rochelle Grimbau, Owner/Principle

Salvador A. Cicero – Cicero Law Firm, President

Ray J. Koenig, III – Clark Hill PLC, Member and Managing Member of the Chicago Office

Juan Carlos Linares – IES Abroad (Institute for the International Education of Students), Global Real Estate Manager and Assistant General Counsel

Andrew S. Kang – Asian American Institute, Senior Staff Attorney

Joanna Borowiec – Allied Health Career Network, Network Director

Leisa Y. Mosley – most recently with Jane Addams Hull House, Vice President

David J. Mussatt – U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Midwestern Regional Office Director

Majdel S. Musa – Consumer Bankruptcy Center, P.C., Managing Attorney

Tiffany M. Ferguson – Pugh, Jones & Johnson, P.C., Partner